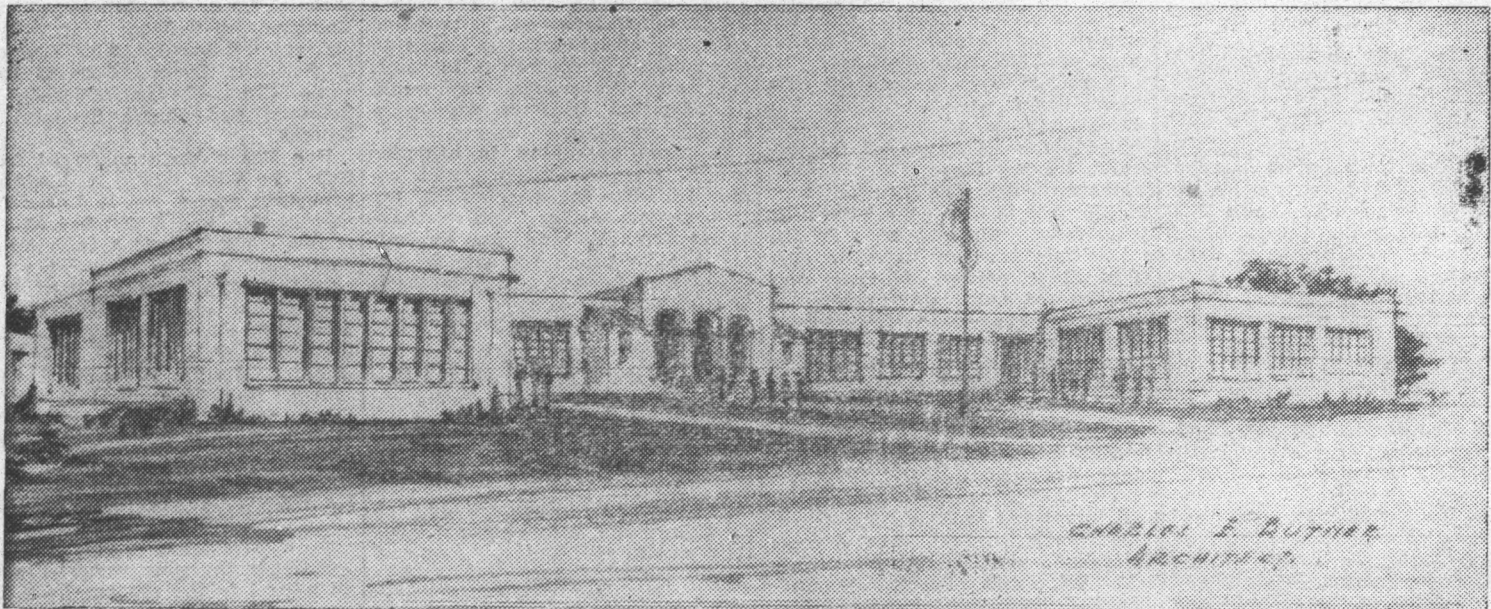


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## TRUSTEES BUY J. C. PROPERTY



### PEALS FROM BELL

Quoth funster Eris:  
"Better to have nalitosis than  
no breath at all."

Asked as to what his epitaph  
will be, one of our prominent  
jokesters replied:  
**HERE LIES AN ATHEIST**  
who died of being Up, and  
No Place to Go.

The Democrats are talking  
about a new New Deal. All we  
can say to that is that we would  
like a new dealer, and new cards  
also.

It is reported that we are still  
paying pensions for the War of  
1812. Hurray! The Revolution is  
paid for.

The person who sits around  
looking for something to turn up  
had better keep his eyes on his  
toes.

A fortune awaits someone who  
will invent a sandwich which does  
not contain lettuce or mayonnaise.

It isn't always a matter of  
great minds running in the same  
channel. Often it's just little  
minds thinking the obvious thing.

It is well that man can't see  
the future. It's about all he can  
stand to worry about the past and  
the present.

A bachelor is a man who knows  
how to make a change of sweet-  
hearts at the psychological mo-  
ment.

It is said that peace has its  
victories no less than war. But no  
one ever pinned a medal on Cas-  
per Milquetoast.

A politician jumps on his op-  
ponent's record because his own  
is too weak to stand on.

You can tell when a person  
isn't sure of his opinion. He gets  
mad if yours are different.

In many cases if you stretch  
the truth, it snaps back and gives  
you a black eye.

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### 14th Year Class To Hold Dance; Riordan to Play

Final plans for the 14th Year  
Dance to be held Friday, Febru-  
ary 21, at the Civic Club, have  
been completed, and sale of tick-  
ets will begin immediately, ac-  
cording to Warren Cottrell, 14th  
year President, and chairman of  
the dance committee.

A special "depression low" only  
\$.50 per couple, will be charged,  
as the committee wants to make  
it possible for every member of  
the student body to be present at  
this first dance of the spring sem-  
ester.

Dancing will be to the melo-  
dious strains of Jack Riordan's  
orchestra, beginning at 9:00 p.m.

However, there is one restric-  
tion. One of each couple must be  
from the Jaysee, while the other  
may be anyone under the sun.  
Well, maybe it isn't a restriction,  
after all.

### Students Enrolled In New N. Y. A. Jobs

Once again the Jaysee office will  
be swamped at the first of each  
month by anxious students who  
have bills to pay. There will be  
only 34 of them this semester  
compared with the average of 40  
or more workers of last semester.  
Many more inquired about work  
around the school but only 34 Na-  
tional Youth Administration appli-  
cations were let out. The students  
who are now enrolled on the NYA  
payroll are Marjorie Banta, Pris-  
cilla Decoto, Charles Clark, Claire  
Denny, Charles Ellsberg, Beth Fal-  
kenberg, Marion Falkenberg, Stan-  
ley Foletta, Janet Gowman, Edith  
Gunn, Bob Hall, Donald Hall,  
John Harris, Wilfred Haile, Opal  
Hörner, George Jameson, Russell  
Jordan, Tom Judge, Robert Kitaji,  
Danid Lumsden, Richard McCol-  
lum, Lillian MacLeod, Kenneth  
Norris, Gladys Onoye, Ethel Pel-  
lucca, Anita Righetti, Charles Rog-  
ers, John Silveria, Norman Skad-  
dan, Betty Stark, Sheila Thomp-  
son, Wilmar Tognazzini, Luther  
White, and Eugene Zingheim.

## Board Pays \$39,600 For New Property On Homestead and Alisal

### Leap Years Show By U. G. C. Feb. 12

For the benefit of the new stu-  
dents who have seen Leap Year  
Show signs around the halls, the  
show will be explained again. The  
Upsilon Gamma Chi is giving a  
Leap Year moving picture called  
"Everything's Ducky" on Febru-  
ary 12. Each girl is expected to  
bring at least one boy as her  
guest; she may bring as many as  
she wants to. One girl has already  
asked thirteen. If a boy is not  
fortunate enough to get an invita-  
tion, he may buy his own ticket  
for the sum of ten cents from La  
Verne Zierk, Ellen Juhl, Evelyn  
de Bolt, Barbara Joy, Gertrude  
Roussey, Necia Jones, or Emma  
Jean Boasso.

Here is another chance for you  
girls to look over a few new pros-  
pects, as there are some new  
boys here for the second semes-  
ter. Don't forget this is on the  
12th of February.

### COMING EVENTS

Feb. 4, Tuesday, U. G. C. dance,  
period 3. Price 5c.

February 5, Wednesday, SJC  
basketball vs. Clowns, there.

Feb. 8.—Saturday, SJC Basket-  
ball vs. Santa Maria, here.

Feb. 12.—Wednesday, Leap Year  
Movie, "Everything's Ducky,"  
price 10c. Girls, bring those boys.

Feb. 12.—Wednesday, SJC Bas-  
ketball vs. Jocols here.

Feb. 15.—Saturday, Basketball  
vs. Moran here.

Feb. 17.—Monday, SJC Basket-  
ball vs. Hollister here.

Feb. 19.—Wednesday, SJC Bas-  
ketball vs. Hollister there.

Feb. 21.—Friday, J.C. Dance, at  
the Civic Club, 50c per couple.

### Work on Building To Cost \$265,000

### C. L. Wold Gets Contract

After a long legal battle for the  
right to build on the adjacent prop-  
erty, the Salinas High School  
district trustees bought 15.3 acres  
of land, with 900 feet of frontage  
on Homestead between Alisal and  
Central for the new Junior Col-  
lege.

At a meeting held Tuesday even-  
ing, 10 lots were brought from  
Mrs. Laura M. Archer, and two  
lots were bought from Dr. Will-  
iam Bingaman, the lots being on  
the corners of Alisal and Home-  
stead and on the corner of Cen-  
tral and Homestead. The total  
cost of the land was \$39,660.

C. L. Wold Construction com-  
pany of San Francisco, was im-  
mediately notified that construc-  
tion would start at once on the  
new \$265,000 building. The new  
structure will face east.

The building is expected to be  
ready for use by the time the  
fall semester begins, when the  
Junior College will move from the  
west end of the high school build-  
ing, according to Dr. Ray Apple-  
by.

Notice for the rezoning of the  
property for school uses will be  
heard February 4, at 7:30 p.m.

### Women's Athletics

This semester the 13th year J.C.  
women will take tap dancing the  
entire time. The 14th year class  
will have nine weeks of rhythm  
from kindergarten up, and nine  
weeks of recreational games suit-  
able for playday or evening enter-  
tainment. The latter class is given  
with the purpose of training the  
J.C. women who intend to be-  
come elementary school teachers.



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#### Give Them The Gong

While looking over a preview of radio broadcasts, one is at once struck by the prevalence of Amateur Hours, which seem to dot every other hour on Sundays. This present fad has grown as did pee-wee golf or "cross out the top name and send a dime" in past years.

Even our own radio station, KDON, at Del Monte, holds its own hour on Sunday from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., presenting a fairly good assortment of rank amateurs.

This heterogeneous mass of would

be talent is led to believe that the chances of getting on the air on a commercial program are very good. But this is not the fact. There are only a certain number of positions available and the number of professional artists takes care of these positions.

Of course there is need for new talent every now and then, but the production of these amateur-mills is far in excess of the demand, leaving these many weekly winners with the illusion that THEY will in the near future be the fated planets of stardom, while they are only becoming one of a great galaxy of those who won an amateur contest.

#### DO YOU KNOW?

That Mr. Murrin and Mr. Hagestad celebrated the same birthday, namely January 29.

That last week, by order of Congress, officers and crews of all ships flying the American flag will use the terms "right" and "left" in place of "starboard" and "port". This is much gained for logic, and possibly for safety, whereas much is lost for romance.

That many books are still missing from the library, without a trace. How about digging us some clues, you amateur detectives.

That Sheila Thompson, a 13th-year student, has been out of school for the last two weeks with measles. She missed two finals but will be back soon to make them up and register for the new semester.

Jimmy's Father: Don't be such a pig, Jimmy.  
Deep silence on Jimmy's part.  
Father (wishing to impress him more): And what is a pig, Jimmy?  
Jimmy: It's a hog's little boy.

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A black tinted with orange, Eversharp pencil.

A pin with Scotty dog-and-house design.

A powder compact, black with a shooting-star design.

An English book, Composition for College Students.

#### Year's Best Plays Chosen by Editor

The best plays and players presented in San Francisco in 1935 were picked by the editor from a category of 23.

The four best plays of the year were as follows: "Three Men on a Horse," "Accent on Youth," "Riders to the Sea," and "Juno and the Paycock". Otto Kruger, Henry Hull, Catherine Cornell, and the Abby Players include the very best actors and actresses on the San Francisco stage last year.

"Three Men on a Horse," a comedy drama, was picked for its very good presentation, and excellent humor; "Accent on Youth," for its very well portrayed humaneness and excellent acting; "Riders to the Sea," and "Juno and the Paycock", which were presented for the first time in San Francisco this year, for their excellent Irish drama, with superb acting by the Abby players.

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#### LETTER BOX

Dear Editor:

It seems to me that there has been a little too much criticism of the Junior College athletics, without due thought. We all realize that football created a deficit of some \$600, and also that the season was quite abruptly ended, but there is something else to be realized.

Approximately \$400 for the \$600 must be divided by the number of years the equipment is going to last.

The J. C. students do not support the team, whether it is football or basketball. If there were the crowds at the games there should be, the deficit would be at least partially paid.

As an explanation of this, I will say that if the students would advertise and boost the teams to the public, get the people to come, and come themselves, they would probably not have to pay extra registration fees.

If those partaking in athletics would get their studies and cooperate with the coaches as far as it is possible for them to, there would not have been such an ending to this year's football season.

We are in college competition now; let's be a college.

RUSSELL H. ROBINSON.

#### PEALS FROM BELL

(Continued from Page One)

"Love of money is the root of all evil"—and the seed of all industry.

"The good die young"—and so do those who spend their leisure time working.

The Townsend plan fever places the modern tot in an uncomfortable dilemma. He must tell his grandfather there isn't any Santa Claus.

One grey trouble with the world is that it has bought too many wars on the installment plan.

Man is that peculiar creature who can't understand a grain of sand and yet tries to read the stars.

Adolf Hitler's name has been added to Germany's "Who's Who" for the first time. I'll bet the Germans have been wondering for a long time who this Hitler guy is.

Hollywood's latest fad, "hand-cuff bracelets" for sweethearts. We suppose the ball and chain comes after the ceremony.

After noticing the way women drivers shift gears, we no longer wonder about the origin of the phrase "the daily grind".

We have heard it said that: Women's faults are many, Men have only two—Everything they say, and Everything they do.

Some maids handle china like

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#### NEW STUDENTS ATTEND JAYSEE

The first week of school has seen many new faces amongst the students, with enrollment of 20 new students. Some are new to the community and some are from out of the district.

Those new students who have enrolled are: Robert Beach of Monterey; Lois Carpenter of Pacific Grove; Laverne Cahill of Salinas; Bill Crook of Salinas; Wilma Crouch of Carmel; Helen Digges of King City; Josephine Falbo of Salinas; Meryle Guerra of Gonzales; Bob Hall of San Bernardino; Morris Hetherington of Salinas; Thomas Judge of Redwood City; Clair Lang of Salinas; Wilbur Long of Salinas; David Lumsden of Salinas; Harold Mocettini of Soledad; Anita Reghetti of Soledad; Everett Cole of Redwood City; Evelyn Sorenson of Soledad; and Bessie Swenson of Salinas.

Bob Beach has transferred from San Jose State where he has been attending school for the past few months. He was a member of this student-body last term. David Lumsden, a local boy who has been attending Santa Clara University has also enrolled. Others from outside schools that have registered are: Everett Cole and Thomas Judge of Sequoia high school, Bob Hall of Washington State, and Evelyn Sorenson and Meryle Guerra of Gonzales high school.

#### LA REATA STARTS INTENSIVE SALES CAMPAIGN

Starting the new semester with an appeal to the student body, La Reata announces the opening of an intensive advertising and sales campaign. Beginning Monday there will be a staff representative in the Jaysee corridor to accept deposits on the book. The price set at present is \$1.25 with a possibility of it being lowered to one dollar if sales move fast enough. The Editor has instructed the salesmen to accept deposits of 50 and 75c with the balance to be paid upon receipt of the book.

Ed Clendennen, the book informs us that since there is a literary book in the school, "The Pendulum," it is the policy of La Reata to get as many pictures as possible in the yearbook and minimize the written material. It is the hope of the staff to have everyone's picture appear at least once in the book. To make this possible La Reata is asking the student body's cooperation in a snapshot week beginning next Monday and terminating February 8. Everyone is urged to bring their camera and take as many pictures of as many people as they like; then turn them in to Clendennen and awards will be offered for the five best snapshots. This is one way everyone can cooperate. Bring your camera and support La Reata.

Japan does.

Here lies the body of William J. He died defending the right of way.

He was right, dead right, when he drove straight on, But he'd be no more dead if he'd been dead wrong.

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## HARRIS HOLDS STUDENT MEET

The Presidents, Editors, Teachers, Directors, all had something of interest to bring up at the J. C. Student Body meeting last Wednesday.

Mr. Lemos informed the students on various subjects of interest. He discussed briefly the standard of the final grades, registration, and changes in the courses, postponement of the Jaysee Prom due to lack of student support, noon dance, February 4, to be sponsored by Upsilon Gamma Chi, and in conclusion, reminded the students of the new rules concerning attendance, parking, and smoking.

Lillian MacLeod, President of the Upsilon Gamma Chi, gave some details on the coming Leap Year Show and said that the profit would go to help give the Men's Club a "feed".

Miss Fraser, director of the coming J.C. play, "Overland Limited," informed the students that the cast was doing its utmost to make this play a success; and requested that the student body help make it a success by giving it wide publicity.

The year book, La Reata, according to the report given by Editor Clendennen, is progressing very well. With the support and cooperation of the entire student body he is sure that the La Reata will be well worth the price.

Robert Riabel, with his thick growth of bristles, won the Whiskerino contest from a scant field of contestants, while the Ribbonero contest was judged to be a tie between Beatrice Raiter and Jean Gossett.

Mr. Eris and Mr. Hagestad, who seldom agree with each other, were the judges for the Ribbonero contest. As usual, they could not agree on who should win the event. Thus, similar to most of their decisions, the Ribbonero contest ended in a tie.

## James Costello Is Recovering

James Costello, last semester's editor of the Battery, is recovering from an attack of measles that kept him in bed during the finals. This week he will be back to complete his semester's work here and will then transfer to University of California.

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## LOTS OF DIRT ABOUT YOU IN J. C. GUTTERS

Billy Lee has certainly had one whirlwind of a romance in Pacific Grove. He literally swept the young lady off of her feet, and the amount of correspondence going on is astounding.

Jean Gossett and Ruth Edwards spent last week-end at Marina, at the latter's home. We hear that an exciting time was had by one and all, especially all.

Stan Parker and Dorita White seem to be together at every affair that goes on. The week-end after finals they were seen celebrating that event at the Armory, and last week-end it was Del Monte. Dorita looked very charming.

Glenn Walker was seen everywhere last week-end. Not only did he come strolling into the Armory, but he was also seen riding through Carmel, though we didn't know that he could go so low.

We lost track of "Ducky" for a number of weeks, but at last someone came in with the report that he was escorting Jean Dennis down the street the other day.

A very "laughy" party was composed of Jean Gossett, Ruth Edwards, Edith Gunn, "Kroopy" and two unknown male specimens the other night at Del Monte.

"Brick" Withers was finally caught up with last Friday night, but the girl he was escorting happens to be the "dirt" editor of the high school paper, so we won't say a thing.

We seem to have another Hall in the school. For the girls that missed out on Don, there's another chance in his brother.

Some people who will be missed around the campus this semester are Sally Fry, DeWitt Blamer, Bob McKiernan, Jimmy Costello.

We've been told that "Buzzard" Jameson has a secret sorrow on the Monterey bus.

Mr. Eris: (writing the numerals LXXX on the board): "Jean, will you please tell me what these mean?"

Jean G. (promptly): "Love and kisses."

nia on February 8.

Jimmy has been a trail blazer in this J. C. by being the first editor of the paper as well as president of the student body. The school will miss Jimmy's quiet, cooperative spirit, and they all wish him success on his next step upward.

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## We Apologize—

The Staff of the Battery wishes to offer apologies to Miss Dorsey and to correct a typographical error occurring in the Battery of January 15.

Mr. Wallace Arthur Weber was graduated from Pomona in 1930, not in 1935 as we said.

## MUSIC GOES 'ROUND

GIVE ME MY BOOTS AND SADDLE because I WISH I WERE ALADDIN and ALONE and WHY SHOULDN'T I BE because I'M A LITTLE BIT INDEPENDENT.

Now WHERE AM I anyway? When I see SAILS IN THE SUNSET sailing for TREASURE ISLAND or the ISLE OF CAPREE, I WISH WITH ALL MY HEART that I could see the MOON OVER MIAMI.

Well I've discovered I'M SITTING HIGH ON A HILL-TOP singing ROLL ALONG PRAIRIE MOON while the MUSIC GOES 'ROUND AND AROUND in my ears. Maybe I'M IN THE MOOD FOR LOVE or else I DREAM TOO MUCH but still I HAVE TO RIDE ON THE MERRY-GO-ROUND and I have a BROKEN RECORD and when it plays it sounds like THUNDER OVER PARADISE.

It's good to be HOME ON THE RANGE again and on my journey, I FOUND A DREAM and now I FEEL LIKE A FEATHER IN THE BREEZE. So instead of DINNER FOR ONE PLEASE JAMES, make it for two.—Muh-sette.

## SHARPS and FLATS

Coming engagements of the High School Band and Orchestra are so numerous that all musical departments are having to spend extra time and effort in order to live up to the standards set at less crowded times.

The first big event for the band will take place at the Armory, February 9 when it will play at the Boy Scout Circus. This promises to be a gala affair, for the troops of three counties will be represented.

Other performances looming up in the future are the Spring Concert on April 17 and the Music Festival on May 2.

Concentration is now being centered on the music for "The Count and the Coed".

The latest composition of Forrell McCann, music instructor, which has heretofore been unnamed has been "christened" "Landscapes and Memories".

## CHALLENGE

I hereby challenge any or all members of the school to a chess match or matches, the games to be played singly or consecutively.

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## Handwriting Expert Interests Jaysee

Gertrude Roussey's mother has taken up fortune telling as a hobby. Not only can she tell fortunes by handwritings but also by numbers, palm reading and cards. Some interested J. C. students and teachers have had their characters analyzed by her. Gertrude reports that they have all turned out very well.

Mrs. Roussey has read the handwriting of Maxine Porter, Mary Hitchings, Mrs. Humphries and Mr. Lemos. Part of the latter's follows.

"Mr. Lemos is peace loving, kind, tactful, critical, dependable, protective, mysterious and a money maker. Some time during his life he will inherit money although he also has the ability to earn it for himself.

"His presence is well felt in the community where he lives. He loves peace at any cost and likes to stroll along in the same paths just for the sake of avoiding tumult. His mind is always open to conviction. These are a few of the characteristics that contribute to Mr. Lemos' pleasing personality.

"He is keen and at the same time kind, having the best interests of others at heart. Naturally some people try to take advantage of his pleasing disposition and good nature. He is painstaking in many details and often finds a lot of work piled on his shoulders. "Mr. Lemos can keep a secret and never betrays a confidence. When he has a surprise in store, he always likes to keep people guessing. The mysterious is always interesting."

This is briefly a sketch of Mr. Lemos' personality, the correctness of which each reader can decide for himself.

## Interior Decorating Class Growing

Because a high school sewing class had first choice to room 18, the interior decorations class has to move into room 19, the cooking room. The four looms were moved across the hall to room 60 which was previously the first aid room. Although this is not an ideal place for the class, it was the best arrangement that could be made until the new home economics section is built. The class now has three more J. C. students than it had last semester.

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# JAYSEE SPORTS

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BATTERY

Monday, Feb. 3, 1936.

## BASKETS

The Junior College Panthers face the second half of Conference play a sadder but wiser team. Poor officiating and a scoring slump pricked the conference bubble that was the boast of Coach Powers and his squad. The Salinas team is not hopelessly out of the running, however. By presupposing the results of the remainder of Conference play we can end the season with S. J. C. in a three-way tie for title honors with Moran and Cal Poly. It's done in this manner. The local Jaysee wins all its home games; Cal Poly and Moran split their series, and it leaves all three teams with a .640 percentage. A tie finish of this sort is highly probable. Both Moran and Cal Poly are practically unbeatable on their own courts. By fair means or foul (usually foul) they have not been beaten by a conference team in home games for several years. All the locals have to do then is win their games here next month and end with a third interest on the annual trophy.

Junior college athletic teams seem to be having a hard time this year getting sports in their right proportion. The complaint against football was that there was too little of it. Basketball seems to be inviting an opposite criticism. This was demonstrated by the board's action in cancelling nine games that had been scheduled by Coach Powers. Their reason for doing so was that it took the students away from their work. The team has been depending on these games for training sessions, and dropping them will leave the squad no night practices. It is hoped that the team has reached a peak where they will be able to keep in trim on the limited practice meetings.

We intend to initiate a plan of mentioning in this column the outstanding sport character of the week in jaysee circles. We are starting the parade with Bill Lee, varsity forward, for his 32 points in the Albatross games. Who's next?

Billy: Why is a knock at the door like an overcoat?  
Chub: Because it's an outside rap.

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## "LOYALTIES" By Michael Bell

When the battleships of one nation lie cleared for action outside a harbor, and the battleships of the enemy lie also cleared for action inside the harbor, there is likely to be trouble. Trouble between battleships is news, and wherever there is news, there also is a representative of the Consolidated Press.

As long as Sampson blockaded Havana and the army beat time back in the Tampa Bay Hotel, the central office for news was at Key West, but when Cervena slipped into Santiago Harbor and Sampson stationed his battleships at its mouth, Key West lost her only excuse for existence, and the press-boats buried their bows in the waters of the Florida Straits and raced for the cable station at Port Antonio.

It was then that Henderson, the "star" man of the Consolidated Press was forced to abandon his young bride and the rooms he had engaged for her at the Key West Hotel and accompany his tug to the distant island of Jamaica.

Henderson was a good and faithful servant to the Consolidated Press, and was a correspondent after its own making, an industrious collector of facts. The Consolidated did not ask him to comment on what it sent him to see; it did not require nor desire his editorial opinions or impressions. It was no part of his work to go into motives which led to the event of news interest which he was to report, nor to point out what there was of it which was dramatic, pathetic, or outrageous.

"We do not want descriptive writing," was the warning which the manager of the great syndicate was always flashing to its correspondents. "We do not pay you to send us pen-pictures or prose poems. We want the facts, all the facts, and nothing but the facts."

Where he was sent was a matter of indifference to Henderson. The Navy Department reported the lost squadron of Spain in the harbor of Santiago, so there he was sent, as the Consolidated Press considered him as a "safe" man to report the facts, and just the facts.

There he was sent to a spot where there were warships cleared for action, Cubans in ambush, naked Marines fighting for a foothold at Guantanamo, palm trees and coral reefs, in order that he might look for facts.

"Just fancy a beat like that being wasted on Henderson," protested the "Journal" man at an indignation meeting of the correspondents, "Why everything's like-

ly to happen out there, and whatever does happen, he'll make it read like a Congressional Record. Why, when I read of it, I cabled the office, that if the paper would send me, I'd not ask for any salary for six months."

"And Henderson's kicking because he has to go," growled the "Sun" man. "Yes, he is, I saw him last night, and he was sore because he'd just moved his wife down here. He said that if he'd known this was coming he'd have let her stay in New York. He says he'll lose money on this assignment, having to support himself and his wife in two different places."

"I wonder what Jamaica rum is like as a steady drink," mused the ex-baseball reporter, who had been converted into a war-correspondent by the purchase of a white yachting cap.

"It won't be long before Henderson finds out," the "Journal" reporter said.

"Oh, I don't know that," ventured the new reporter. "I thought he didn't drink. I never see him in here with the rest of the boys."

"You won't," said Norris, "he only comes in here by himself and he drinks by himself. He's one of those confidential drunkards. You give some men whiskey, and it's like throwing kerosene on a fire, isn't it. It makes them wave their arms about and talk loud and break things. But you give to another man and it's like throwing kerosene on a cork mat, it just soaks in. That's what Henderson is. He's a sort of a cork mat."

"I wouldn't think the C.P. would stand for that," said the new reporter.

"It wouldn't if it ever interfered with his work, but he's never fallen down on a story yet. And the sort of stuff he writes is machine made."

Channing, one of those geniuses who can turn simple facts into heart-rending tales, was stretched on the beach near the British gunboat. He was a newspaper correspondent who, when sent out on a story of a railroad wreck, would return just before dead line with a story of a blind beggar who had had his dog killed and who couldn't find his way home alone. And the next day five hundred persons would stop by the office and leave dimes and dollars to buy the beggar a new dog.

Henderson had been taking breakfast in the ward room of H. M. Indefatigable. As an acquaintance, the officers had not found him an undoubted acquisition, but he was the representative of seven hundred papers, and when the Indefatigable's ice machine broke, he had loaned the officers' mess a hundred pounds of it from his own boat.

As the cruiser's gig carried Henderson to the wharf, Channing observed the approach of Henderson with a cheerful approbation. "It's gratifying to me," he said "to see one of the press treated with such consideration. You came

in just like Cleopatra in her barge. If the flag had been flying and you hadn't steered so badly, I should have thought you were at least an admiral. How many guns do the British give the Consolidated Press when he comes over the side?"

Henderson dropped onto the sand and, crossing his legs under him, began tossing shells at the water.

"They gave this one a damn good breakfast," he said, "and some very excellent white wine. Of course the ice machine was broken. It always is, but then, wine should never be iced."

"Wine, ice," snorted Channing. "Listen to him. Do you know what I had for breakfast?"

Keating turned away uncomfortably and looked toward the ships in the harbor.

The conversation wandered on under the heavy tropical sun. It came out in time that Channing was out of a job. He would be glad of anything to get him into the action of the fight. Primarily he wanted to write descriptive articles, but what editors wanted was plain facts, and he always had to put in some descriptive.

Henderson offered to let him stoke or wait on tables on the Consolidated yacht, but Channing decided that he had better try and find a paper first. After little more ado, Henderson wandered off to drink himself into a proper state.

(To Be Continued)

"What makes a cop so fat?"  
"Probably too much traffic jam."

## PANTHER'S SCORING AVERAGES HIGH

The Battery Sports Staff is releasing the scoring averages for the Basketball team. Bob Beach, all-Conference center is high scorer and well on his way toward another conference title. The averages are based on the number of games in which each player has represented the number of points each has made per game. The high scorers are Beach with a 10.5 average; Lee with 8.6 tallies per game and Jordan with 8.2. Watch for the remaining averages next week.

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